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HERE AND THERE.

It is Sydney Smith who said that in the country one is either glad or sorry for weeks together, and now it really seems at last as if, having had our spirits in a most unspiritual state for "weeks to gether," owing to the weather, we were to have a chance to be glad for a corresponding length of time; for there are pleasant people to see, pleasant places to go to, pleasant days in which to do anything and everything. Should it rain before this trifling remark gets into print the patient reader is requested to save it and read when appropriate.

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Among the afore mentioned places to visit at least for the younger portion of community, was Glen Ridge Hall on Friday evening, the 11th, for the last sociable of the season was given there and then, and was well attended. The usual number of dances was doubled, as about sixty were present.

The Hall is just the place for an affair of the kind, and next winter it will undoubtedly be the scene of many gay gatherings.

The music was good, almost too loud for the size of the room, and the floor will be better next year than it is now, but the expressions of satisfaction were very general and sincere.

Miss Francis, of Orange, the guest of Mr. and Mrs Elsworth Doane, Mr. Townsend, of New York, and Mr. White of Montclair, represented the "out-of town element."

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On the evening following, the Fortnightly assembled at Mr. F. W. Capen's and listened with interest to a paper on Thackeray read by Dr. Wilson. The subject was treated with careful criticism and keen analysis, and the man and his work were made so enjoyable that the evening resulted in a general discussion, and the usual selections were omitted.

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Mrs. J. A. Davis and Miss Josie Davis left town on Wednesday for Lakewood expecting to be away about two weeks.

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On Tuesday evening the members of the Glen Ridge Club with a good deal of interest and some preliminary shuddering gathered at the Club House to hear horrible tales of Central African cannibals as told by Mr. Herbert Ward, who spoke "whereof he knew," and illustrated his lecture with stereopticon views.

Although his talk was most interesting, Mr Ward is not a fluent speaker, which may be owing to the lack of opportunity for indulging in "polite conversation" among such barbarous peoples, where it takes pluck and courage that are needed more than the gift of easy speech.

Reports say that few men among Stanley's followers were distinguished for greater bravery and coolness in time of danger than Mr. Ward, and those who listened to him felt the power of his life to be more forcible than his words.

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Mrs. Wm. Jarvie and family who have been spending the winter in Brooklyn expect to return next week to their Bloomfield home.

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It is said that Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Cuyler, of Brooklyn, have taken one of the new houses on Ridgewood avenue, and will be numbered among the Ridgites in a short time. Mr. Cuyler is a son of the distinguished Dr. Cuyler, of Brooklyn.

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On Wednesday evening a large audience filled the First Presbyterian Church, to enjoy the testimonial concert tendered Mr. Wm. C. Carl by the citizens of Bloomfield. The first number on the program was a fered, owing to the unavoidable detention of Mr. Mason, and in place of the quartette was given a duo for organ and piano by Miss Augusta Lowell and Mr. Carl. Through some mistake it had been stated that Mr. Stringer was absent, and so the gentleman that appeared to sing the second number was not known for himself until afterward. The Ladies' Vocal Club of Montclair sang twice during the evening, and apparently followed the old rule of keeping the best for the last, as the little cradle song at the close was a charming thing, and more pleasing in its effect than Gilchrists' elaborate arrangement of the 121st Psalm.

Mr Williams, Mrs. Canon, Miss Marsh and Miss Nelson were all heard with pleasure, and the duo from Rossini's "Semiramide" sung by Miss Marsh and Mrs Canon pleased as it always does, not alone for the beauty of the music, but because it is so great a test of the flexibility of a singer's voice. Miss Marsh was heard a second time in a substituted selection, and in this as in the other her clear, round, although not powerful voice performed the difficult passages with lightness and precision. Miss Nelson's second solo "May Song" was received with great applause, first because it was well sung, and second because it was written for this occasion by Mr. Carl, and proved the composer's right to the name of musician. The music is as dainty and graceful as possible and yet has a certain old-time grace which suits the words. The rippling little accompaniment was played by Mr Carl himself.

The violinist, Miss Bertha Webb, who appeared twice gave the audience the pleasure, rarer than one would suppose, of hearing some really good violin music.

Miss Webb and her instrument are great friends evidently and were on the best of terms. Her bowing was excellent and every note was pure. It is understood that Miss Webb made her debut as a violinist this winter, and judging from Wednesday night, she will meet with success. The piano solo of the evening, with orchestral parts supplied by Mr. Carl on the organ, was played by one of Mr. Carl's pupils, Master Harry Westervelt, in whose praise a great deal can be said. We are not altogether unaccustomed to remarkable child musicians, but even the best of them will not far surpass this lad in accuracy, clearness and brilliancy of touch as he gave Mozarts "romance" and "rondo" from the D minor concerto.

But perhaps the greatest interest of all was shown in the playing of Mr Carl himself. His first selection, from Bach, contains a pedal passage of remarkable difficulty which was exceedingly well played. His second number included an offertory by Salome, and a minuetto by Capocci, which made a good contrast, and for the third Dudley Buck's variations of "Annie Laurie" in Mr Carl's hands convinced the audience that the musician was well worthy of the tribute they had endeavored to pay him.

We have had concerts in Bloomfield before this, some have been bad, very bad; some a large proportion have been indifferent; and a few have been very good. The one on Wednesday evening will go to swell the last list.

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WM. A. BALDWIN, Secretary.

Bloomfield, April 5, 1890.

Fairview Improvement Association.

Bloomfield N. J. April 14 1890

At a regular meeting of the "Fairview Improvement Association," held at the house of Mr C. L. Potter the following resolution was passed.

Resolved, That this Association learns with regret of the death of Mr. Philip Weaver, and that we realize that we have lost a good friend, and strong ally.

Resolved, That this resolution be published in "THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN."

W. B. Hughes, President.
W. E. Bevans, Secretary

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